

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	Case No.: 3:16CR096
		Judge Thomas M. Rose
Plaintiff	:	
v.	:	
WILLIAM EARNEST,	:	
Defendant.	:	

**FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE OF PROPERTY
AS TO DEFENDANT WILLIAM EARNEST.**

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2017, this Court entered a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, (Doc. 36) ordering the forfeiture, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853 and 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) of the following property:

- a. 2008 GMC Yukon Denali, VIN 1GKFK63898J151972;
- b. 1967 Buick Skylark, VIN 443077Z100002;

WHEREAS, the United States published notice of this forfeiture action and the intent of the United States to dispose of the property in accordance with law, and further notified all parties of their right to petition the Court for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of their alleged interest in the property, beginning on April 7, 2017 and continuing for at least thirty (30) consecutive days, on the www.forfeiture.gov website (Doc. 42); and

WHEREAS, the United States sent direct written notice of the Preliminary Order of Forfeiture to all persons who reasonably appeared to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture of the property in an ancillary proceeding (Doc. 43); and

WHEREAS, the Court finds that defendant had an interest in the property; the United States has established the requisite nexus between the property and the offense; and the United States has established that the property is subject to forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Preliminary Order of Forfeiture entered in this action on April 5, 2017 (Doc. 36), ordering the forfeiture, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853 of the following property:

- a. 2008 GMC Yukon Denali, VIN 1GKFK63898J151972;
- b. 1967 Buick Skylark, VIN 443077Z100002;

is final;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all right, title and interest to the property described above is hereby condemned, forfeited and vested in the United States of America and the United States has clear title to the property described above; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the custodian of the property is hereby authorized to dispose of the property in accordance with the law; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the United States District Court shall retain jurisdiction in the case for the purpose of enforcing this Final Order of Forfeiture.

SO ORDERED:
Dated: 4/10/18

s/Thomas M. Rose

THOMAS M. ROSE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE